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SUBJ: HUMAN RIGHTS: FORER AND HORMACHEA VISIT

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1. GIVEN IDEOLOGICAL DISPOSITION OF FORER AND HORMACHEA, EMBASSY NOT SURPRISED, BUT SOMEWHAT DISAPPOINTED, AT FORER'S ATTITUDE REF A. REF B DESCRIBES EMBOFF'S ONLY FACE-TO-FACE CONTACT ON SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS WITH PAIR. HORMACHEA TELEPHONED EMBOFF MARCH 3, SEEKING ASSISTANCE WITH PHONE NUMBERS, WHICH WAS GIVEN. UNFORTUNATELY, DESPITE INDICATING THEY WOULD VISIT EMBASSY SECOND TIME, NEITHER DID SO. SUBSEQUENTLY, MFA, ON BEHALF OF PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, ASKED EMBASSY TO PASS FACTUAL MATERIAL TO HORMACHEA, BUT EMBOFF WAS UNABLE TO CONTACT PAIR (PRESUMABLY BECAUSE THEY HAD ALREADY LEFT IRAN).

2. IF REST OF FORER PRESENTATION IS AS GROSSLY INACCURATE AS HIS STATEMENT ON US MILITARY ASSISTANCE (REF A), THEN HE MAY BE PASSING OUT CONSIDERABLE MISINFORMATION. AMCITS IN IRAN NUMBER 31,000, OF WHOM ONLY 350 ARE MILITARY
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TECHNICIANS AND APPROXIMATELY 7,000 COULD EVEN PERIPHERALLY BE RELATED TO DEFENSE MODERNIZATION. DESCRIPTION OF PRIVATE CITIZENS, MANY OF WHOM HAVE NEVER SERVED IN MILITARY OR HAD CONTACT WITH ANY FMS PROGRAM, AS "MILITARY TECHNICIANS" IS EXAMPLE OF EXTREME, PERHAPS DELIBERATE, DISTORTION.

3. WHILE IN IRAN, FORER AND HORMACHEA SPOKE WITH EMBOFF

AND CULTURAL ATTACHE (LATTER TO REGULARIZE THEIR STATUS HERE AS RESEARCHERS). ALSO MET FOLLOWING GOI OFFICIALS THAT WE ARE AWARE OF: DARIUS BAYANDOR OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, MFA LEGAL ADVISER KAZEMI, VICE-GOVERNOR HADAD OF THE CENTRAL BANK, AND DEPUTY MINISTER OF JUSTICE VAFAI'I. PAIR INTENDED TO SPEAK TO OTHER PRIVATE CITIZENS AND LAWYERS AND WERE GOING TO ATTEMPT TO VISIT PRISONS. EMBASSY HAS HAD NO FEEDBACK EITHER FROM PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT SECTOR ON THEIR VISIT HERE.

4. EMBASSY WOULD, OF COURSE, TAKE ISSUE WITH FORER ALLEGATIONS ON BASIS INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. IN VIEW OF WHAT SEEMED LIKE REASONABLE START TO VISIT, WE ARE RATHER DISAPPOINTED PAIR DID NOT SEE FIT TO ENLIGHTEN US ON THEIR FINDINGS. WE HOPE WHOEVER IN USG EVENTUALLY RECEIVES FORER MATERIAL PROMISED APRA 2, REF A, WILL GIVE IT CLOSE SCRUTINY AND WILL SEEK EMBASSY COMMENT.
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